

**Chambers of District Judge Virginia Hernandez Covington**

300 North Hogan Street, Suite 11-350, Jacksonville, FL 32202-4247  
Tel: (239) 549-1970

**Virginia Hernandez Covington**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1955  
Education: Tampa 1976 BS, 1977 MBA; Georgetown 1980 JD  
Began Service: September 10, 2004  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Federal Trade Commission (1980-1981); Assistant State Attorney, County of Hillsborough, Florida (1982-1983); Assistant United States Attorney, Middle District of Florida (1983-2001)

**Judicial:** Appellate Judge, Florida District Court of Appeal, Second District (2001-2004)

**Chambers of District Judge Marcia Morales Howard**

300 North Hogan Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202  
Tel: (904) 301-6750

**Marcia Morales Howard**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: July 16, 1965  
Education: Vanderbilt 1987 BS; Florida 1990 JD  
Began Service: February 2007  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (2003-2007)

**Legal Practice:** Civil Litigator, Private Practice (1990-2003)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; The Florida Bar; Hispanic Bar Association of Northeast Florida; Jacksonville Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Nancy Benton** ..... (904) 301-6754  
Term Expires: May 2008  
Law Clerk **Celia Chapman** ..... (904) 301-6753  
Term Expires: August 2007  
Education: Florida 2005 JD  
Courtroom Deputy **Jodi Wiles** ..... (904) 301-6752

**Chambers of Senior Judge George C. Young**

U.S. Courthouse & Federal Building, 80 North Hughey Avenue, Room 300, Orlando, FL 32801  
Tel: (407) 835-4280 Fax: (407) 835-4285

**George C. Young**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1916  
Education: Florida 1938 AB, 1940 LLB  
Began Service: 1961  
Appointed By: President John F. Kennedy

**Government:** Assistant City Attorney, City of Orlando, Florida (1941-1942); Administrative Assistant, George Smathers for Senator Campaign (1948-1951)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1947-1948); Private Practice (1951-1961)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1942-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; The Florida Bar; Jacksonville Bar Association

**Staff**

Judicial Assistant and Courtroom Deputy **(Vacant)** ..... (407) 835-4280

**Chambers of Senior Judge Howell W. Melton**

U.S. Courthouse, 300 North Hogan Street, Room 11-300, Jacksonville, FL 32202-4243  
Tel: (904) 549-1940

**Howell W. Melton**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1923  
Education: Florida 1948 JD  
Began Service: May 12, 1977  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Government:** Attorney, Anastasia Mosquito Control (1956-1960); County Attorney, St. Johns County, Florida (1959-1960)

**Judicial:** Judge, Florida Circuit Court, Seventh Judicial Circuit (1961-1977)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Upchurch, Melton & Upchurch (1948-1961)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1943-1946); United States Army Reserve (1949-1953)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Jacksonville Chapter, Federal Bar Association; The Florida Bar; Jacksonville Bar Association; St. Johns County Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **JoAnne Eichelberger** ..... (904) 549-1940  
Education: Florida 1989 JD

**Chambers of Senior Judge William John Castagna**

801 North Florida Avenue, Chambers 14 B, Tampa, FL 33602-3800  
Tel: (813) 301-5935 Fax: (813) 301-5335

**William John Castagna**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: June 24, 1924  
Education: Florida 1949 LLB  
Began Service: July 24, 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1949-1970); Partner, MacKenzie, Castagna, Bennison & Gardner (1970-1979)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1943-1945)

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Raequel Tomsich** ..... (813) 301-5535  
Education: Eastern Michigan 1991 BS; Stetson 1994 JD  
Judicial Assistant **Carol B. Arias** ..... (813) 301-5835

**Chambers of Senior Judge John H. Moore II**

U.S. Courthouse, 300 North Hogan Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202  
Tel: (904) 549-1980 Fax: (904) 549-1985  
E-mail: john\_h\_moore@fmd.uscourts.gov

**John H. Moore II**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1929  
Education: Syracuse 1952 BS; Florida 1961 JD  
Began Service: December 1, 1981  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Member, Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission (1977-1981)

**Judicial:** Judge, Florida Circuit Court, 17th Judicial Circuit (1967-1977); Judge, Florida District Court of Appeal, Fourth District (1977-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Fleming, O'Bryan & Fleming (1961-1967); Partner, Turner, Shaw & Moore; Associate, Fisher & Phillips

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve (1948-1971)

**Current Memberships:** The American Inns of Court; Federal Bar Association; The Florida Bar; Jacksonville Bar Association

**Staff**

Administrative Law Clerk **Virginia "Ginny" Flick** ..... (904) 549-1980  
E-mail: virginia\_flick@fmd.uscourts.gov  
Education: Penn State 1976 BA; Duquesne 1980 JD  
Law Clerk **(Vacant)** ..... (904) 549-1980  
Law Clerk **(Vacant)** ..... (904) 549-1980

**Chambers of Senior Judge Wm. Terrell Hodges**

207 NW Second Street, Ocala, FL 34475-6666  
Tel: (352) 690-6907

**Wm. Terrell Hodges**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934  
Education: Florida 1956 BSBA, 1958 LLB, 1967 JD  
Began Service: 1971  
Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

**Affiliation:** Senior Judge (Chairman), Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation

**Academic:** Instructor, University of South Florida (1961-1966); Lecturer, Federal Judicial Center (1984)

**Legal Practice:** Macfarlane, Ferguson, Allison & Kelly (1958-1971)

**Current Memberships:** The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society; The Florida Bar; Hillsborough County Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Daniel Irick** ..... (352) 690-6907  
Term Expires: August 2008  
Career Law Clerk **Leslie Hoffman** ..... (352) 690-6907  
Secretary **Barbara Wood** ..... (352) 690-6907

**Chambers of Senior Judge George Kendall Sharp**

300 U.S. Courthouse & Federal Building, 80 North Hughey Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801  
Tel: (407) 835-4260 Fax: (407) 835-4267

**George Kendall Sharp**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934  
Education: Yale 1957 BA; Virginia 1963 JD  
Began Service: 1983  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Faculty, Indian River Community College

**Government:** Public Defender, 19th Judicial Circuit, State of Florida (1964-1968); School Board Attorney, Indian River County, Florida (1968-1978)

**Judicial:** Judge, Florida Circuit Court, 19th Judicial Circuit (1978-1983)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Sharp, Johnston & Brown (1963-1978)

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve (1957-1988)

**Staff**

Judicial Assistant **Debbie Benton** ..... (407) 835-4260

**Chambers of Senior Judge Harvey E. Schlesinger**

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Tel: (904) 549-1990 Fax: (904) 549-1921

**Harvey E. Schlesinger**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1940  
Education: Citadel 1962 BA; Richmond 1965 JD  
Began Service: July 2, 1991  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Academic:** Instructor, John Marshall Law School (1967-1968); Adjunct Professor, University of North Florida (1984-1991)

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, Middle District of Florida, United States Department of Justice (1970-1975); District Judge, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (1991-2006)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (1975-1991)

**Legal Practice:** Corporate Counsel, SCL Railroad Co. (1968-1970)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1965-1968)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Federal Bar Association; Jacksonville Bar Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; The Virginia Bar Association

**Staff**

Administrative Law Clerk **Eric K. Shaddock** ..... (904) 549-1990  
Education: Florida Coastal 1999 JD  
Law Clerk **Amanda Payne** ..... (904) 549-1990  
Education: Florida 2004 JD  
Law Clerk **Joseph Pope** ..... (904) 549-1990  
Began Service: 2006  
Term Expires: 2008  
Education: Richmond 2005 JD